5202. Adulteration of apples. U. S. * * * v. 47 Cases of Apples * * *.

Default decree of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction.

(F. & D. No. 7565. I. S. No. 1601-m. S. No. E-663.)

On July 5, 1916, the United States attorney for the District of Maryland, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel for the seizure and condemnation of 47 cases, each containing 6 cans of apples, remaining unsold in the original unbroken packages at Baltimore, Md., alleging that the article had been shipped by C. W. Zaring, Jacksonville, Fla., and transported from the State of Florida into the State of Maryland, and charging adulteration in violation of the Food and Drugs Act.

It was charged in substance in the libel that the article was adulterated for the reason that it consisted in part of a decomposed vegetable matter.

On August 10, 1916, no claimant having appeared for the property, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product should be destroyed by the United States marshal.

CARL VROOMAN, Acting Secretary of Agriculture.